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### NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

#### AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

IMPLEMENT THE PRICE SUPPORT SCHEME (PSS) FOR PROCUREMENT OF COPRA IN TAMIL NADU.

[G.O. Ms. No. 68, Agriculture (H2), 31st March 2021, பங்குனி 18, சார்வரி, திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2052.]

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Crop calendar and  
Harvesting period  
of Coconut in the  
State of Tamil Nadu

A remunerative and stable price environment for Coconut growers / farmers is very important for increasing Coconut production and productivity. The market price for Copra many times tends to be unstable and volatile resulting in undue losses to the growers / farmers as well as discourages adoption of the modern technology and required inputs.

The Government's price policy for agricultural commodities seeks to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce with a view to encourage higher investment and production and to safeguard the interest of consumers by making available supplies at reasonable prices with low cost of intermediation. The price policy also seeks to evolve a balanced and integrated price structure in the overall perspective of the needs of the economy.

Towards this end, the Government announces Minimum Support Price (MSP) for major agricultural commodities each year in both the Crop seasons after taking into account the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).

In the scheme for the procurement of Copra in the year of 2021, as per the guidelines of Government of India (Department of Agriculture and Co-operation), the notification regarding Crop calendar and harvesting period of Coconut in Tamil Nadu is to be required as a part of the proposal.

Therefore, the Government of Tamil Nadu is willing to implement the Price Support Scheme (PSS) and its operation in Tamil Nadu and accordingly declare the following details:

## Notification proposal for procurement of Copra in Tamil Nadu for Copra Season 2021

1	Crop		Coconut
2	Commodity to be notified		Copra
3	Crop Calendar year		Throughout the year
4	Harvesting period		Throughout the year
5	Commencement of Arrival		April
6	Peak arrival period		April - September
7	Details of Coconut and Copra Production		
(a)	Coconut area		4.97 lakh Hectare (as per estimates of 2019-20)
(b)	Expected Coconut production		50,663 lakh nuts
(c)	Average yield per Hectare		8,519 nuts per Ha
(d)	Expected Copra production		2,21,000 Metric Tonne
(e)	Expected quantity of procurement		Total of 51,000 Metric Tonne a. Milling Copra-50,000 Metric Tonne b. Ball Copra-1,000 Metric Tonne
(f)	Ruling market price		Rs.130.00-Rs.135.00 per Kg of Copra
(g)	Major Coconut Growing districts		Coimbatore, Tiruppur, Erode, Thanjavur, Dindigul, Kanyakumari, Vellore, Salem, Krishnagiri, Pudukottai, Madurai, Theni, Virudhunagar, Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli, Namakkal, Dharmapuri, Thiruvarur, Nagapattinam, Ramanadhapuram, Sivagangai

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